

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Meat Animal Evaluation Team of Texas Tech
2 University took the top prize at the National Meat Animal
3 Evaluation Contest at the Oklahoma City Stockyards and Oklahoma
4 State University on March 26 and 27, 2009; and

5 WHEREAS, This is the third year in a row that the team from
6 Texas Tech has won this prestigious national competition, which
7 encourages students to reach a more complete understanding of the
8 food supply chain from conception to consumer; and

9 WHEREAS, Representing the Department of Meat Science and
10 Muscle Biology, the Texas Tech team won the swine, beef evaluation,
11 breeding animal, market animal, and communication divisions, and
12 placed second in the meat and sheep divisions, earning 8,693
13 points, which put them 336 points above the second-place team; and

14 WHEREAS, Team member Drew Perez earned the highest number of
15 individual points, while Ben Cammack, Cade Halfmann, Josh Flohr,
16 and Henry Ruiz finished in the top 10; and

17 WHEREAS, Coached by Ryan Rathmann, Judd Gardner, and Travis
18 O'Quinn, the winning team also includes Tyler Cowie, Micah Dorsey,
19 Shayna Dunlap, Paige Futrell, Josh Hasty, C. A. Jones, Matthew
20 Morales, Trae Simmons, Olivia Tilly, Austin Voyles, and Shanna
21 Ward; and

22 WHEREAS, These noteworthy Tech students have demonstrated
23 tremendous commitment, talent, and hard work to achieve this
24 national championship title, and they truly merit special

1 recognition; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate the Texas Tech University Meat
4 Animal Evaluation Team on winning first place at the 2009 National
5 Meat Animal Evaluation Contest and extend to the team members and
6 their coaches sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
10 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2145

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2145 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House